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Abstract

We produce interpretable representations, and demonstrate their applicability in interpretable classifiers. Our approach is model-agnostic, given a similarity-based representation, we are able to produce a representation in terms of domain knowledge. We evaluate the interpretability of our representation and provide examples of interpretable classifiers with our representation.

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ML Machine Learning

NLP Natural Language Processing

NDCG Normalized Discounted Cumulative Gain

Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Motivation

With the rise of services on the web that enable large-scale user-generation of text data, e.g. Social Media sites (Facebook, Twitter), Review sites (IMDB, Rotten Tomatoes, Amazon) and content-aggregation sites (Reddit, Tumblr), the internet has become largely populated by text posts that are related to some specific, niche topic within a domain. For example, a review on Amazon for a product is specially tailored text for that product within the domain of Amazon reviews. Taken from a closer lens, we could even argue that each review-type has its own domain, e.g. Product reviews, Food reviews, Movie reviews. However, the text posts themselves are largely unstructured semantically. Humans can have an intuitive understanding of the semantics that are present in unstructured text, but machines do not.

One task of Natural Language Processing is to obtain this semantic understanding from text by obtaining a machine-readable representation that contains domain knowledge. A basic approach to obtain a representation of this text is to represent entities (e.g. reviews, text-posts) by the frequency of their words, see 1.1.

Below, we show a review with its associated properties labelled.

We can understand these properties to have a degree to which they apply, for example the size of the clothing might be "XXL", "XL", "L", "M" or "S", or the quality may be "Very good", "Good", "Ok", "Bad" or "Very bad". For the former, we may rely

1.1 Motivation 2

Entity: X		Entity: Y		Entity: Z	
Word	Frequency	Word	Frequency	Word	Frequency
Dog	51	Dog	51	Dog	51
Cat	40	Cat	40	Cat	40
Man	11	Man	11	Man	11
Cheese	0	Cheese	. 0	Cheese	0
Dog	51	Dog	51	Dog	51
Cat	40	Cat	40	Cat	40
Man	11	Man	11	Man	11
Chees	se 0	Chees	se 0	Chee	se 0

Figure 1.1: Bag-of-words



Figure 1.2: Example properties

on the metadata available from the site itself, but for the latter the way to obtain this information is less clear. Although we may infer that the rating has some indication of these properties, it does not describe the properties or the degree to which the review refers to them. This kind of information is valuable for making sense of the world

1.1 Motivation 3

of unstructured text, and has broad applications, e.g. The most immediate example is perhaps that they allow for a natural way to implement critique-based recommendation systems, where users can specify how their desired result should relate to a given set of suggestions [?]. For instance, [?] propose a movie recommendation system in which the user can specify that they want to see suggestions for movies that are "similar to this one, but scarier". If the property of being scary is adequately modelled as a direction in a semantic space of movies, such critiques can be addressed in a straightforward way. Similarly, in [?] a system was developed that can find "shoes like these but shinier", based on a semantic space representation that was derived from visual features. Semantic search systems can use such directions to interpret queries involving gradual and possibly ill-defined features, such as "popular holiday destinations in Europe" [?]. While features such as popularity are typically not encoded in traditional knowledge bases, they can often be represented as semantic space directions.

1.1.1 Directions

However, manually labelling these properties and the degrees to which entities (e.g. reviews, text-posts) have them is extremely time-consuming.

A potentially ideal system would be as follows: We collect large amounts of unstructured text data, separated into domains, and obtain the properties of each domain from this data, and rank entities on the degree to which they have these properties. In this way, properties would be understood on a scale built from the domain directly, so that each domain has its own meanings for words according to their own idiosyncrasies. As the process does not require any manual labelling the quality of these properties could be improved simply by obtaining more data. Further, as we are learning from unstructured data, not only would this allow us to understand the data in terms of what we know, but it would also introduce us to new ideas that we may not have previously understood. This kind of representation also has value in application to Machine Learning tasks. If we can separate the semantics of the space linearly into properties,

we are able to learn simple linear classifiers that perform well.

Simple linear classifiers built from a representation composed of rankings on properties have an additional benefit of being more understandable.

1.2 Interpretability

Most successful approaches in recent times, like vector-spaces, word-vectors, and others, rely on the distributional model of semantics. This model relies on encoding unstructured text e.g. of a movie review, as a vector, where each dimension corresponds to how frequent each word is, we are able to calculate how similar the entities are, e.g. we know that if two movies have a similar distribution of words in their reviews, like frequent use of the word 'scary', or 'horror', then they would have a higher similarity value. These models, also known as 'semantic spaces' encode this similarity information spatially.

Semantic relationships can be obtained from semantic spaces.

applications/need for good interpretability:

- Safety
- Troubleshooting, bug fixing, model improvement
- Knowledge learning
- EU's "Right to explanation"
- Discrimination

properties of an interpretable classifier:

- Complexity: 'the magic number is seven plus or minus two' [12] also has many positive effects for its users, like lower response times [11, 8], better question answering and confidence for logical problem questions [8] and higher satisfaction [11].
- Transparancy:
- Explainability:
- Generalizability:

Properties, entities, the benefits and application of a representation formed of these

Basic introduction to directions, explanation of the utility and application of our approach

1.3 Thesis Overview / Contributions

In 3, we focus on further experimenting with one relationship that was formalized in [5]: a ranking of entities on properties. In particular, we use this method of building a representation of entities as a way to convert a vector space into an interpretable representation, for use in an interpretable classifier. The reason that we chose this representation to expand on is because by representing each entity e with a vector v that corresponds to a ranking r, the meaning of each dimension is distinct, and we are able to find labels composed of clusters of words for these dimensions. Here, we make the distinction between a property and a word, a property is a natural property of the space that exists in terms of a ranking of entities, and words are the labels we use to describe this property.

Chapter 2

Background

2.1 Text

2.1.1 Bag-of-words

We begin by processing an unstructured text corpus, composed of documents C_D . We then remove all punctuation, convert any accented characters to non-accented characters, and lowercase the documents to obtain word tokens for each document D_W . From here, we can assume that any $W \approx W$ will now W = W, if a word varied in format but not alphanumeric characters.

Then, we count the occurrences of each word

- Frequency
- Tf-idf
- PPMI

2.2 Text classification

2.2.1 Decision Trees

• Explanation of what decision trees are

2.2 Text classification 7

• Explanation that they may not perform well on sparse information

2.2.2 Support Vector Machines

• Performance increase for support vector machines on sparse data, balancing, etc

2.2.3 Neural Networks

Difference between SVM and Nnet

2.2.4 Semantic Spaces

How do vector spaces represent semantics? Why do we use them to represent semantics?

Distributional representations of semantics, known as 'semantic spaces' are well-recognized for their ability to represent semantic information spatially. These representations have been widely adopted for Natural Language Processing (NLP) tasks thanks to their ability to represent complex information in a dense representation. In particular, entity-embeddings have been applied to represent items in recommender systems [?, ?, ?], to represent entities in semantic search engines [?, ?], or to represent examples in classification tasks [?].

Vector spaces are a popular way to represent unstructured text data, and have been broadly applied to and transformed by supervised approaches. They vary in method, producing structure from Cosine Similarity, Matrix Factorization, Word-Vectors/Doc2Vec, etc. They also vary in how they linearly separate entities. However, their commonality is that they are able to represent semantic relationships spatially. See Section 2.2.4 This brings up an essential point: When using a semantic space, are we taking advantage of relationships that are discriminative or incorrect? The danger of relying on these

spaces and the models that use them has greatly affected their adoption in critical application areas like medicine, and has raised legal concerns about their application in e.g. determining if someone is suitable for a loan.

See Section 2.2.4

Word-vectors

2.2.5 Document Representations

Conceptual spaces

- PCA
- MDS

2.3 Interpretable Representations

a. NNSE b. compositional c. 2007 paper as wikipedia similarities d. Topic models e. Infogan, etc

[?] Sparse PCA (Why not compare lol)

Vector space models typically use a form of matrix factorization to obtain low-dimensional document representations. By far the most common approach is to use Singular Value Decomposition [?], although other approaches have been advocated as well. Instead of matrix factorization, another possible strategy is to use a neural network or least squares optimization approach. This is commonly used for generating word embeddings [?, ?], but can similarly be used to learn representations of (entities that are described using) text documents [?, ?, ?]. Compared to topic models, such approaches have the advantage that various forms of domain-specific structured knowledge can easily be taken into account. Some authors have also proposed hybrid models, which

combine topic models and vector space models. For example, the Gaussian LDA model represents topics as multivariate Gaussian distributions over a word embedding [?]. Beyond document representation, topic models have also been used to improve word embedding models, by learning a different vector for each topic-word combination [?].

The most commonly used representations for text classification are bag-of-words representations, topic models, and vector space models. Bag-of-words representations are interpretable in principle, but because the considered vocabularies typically contain tens (or hundreds) of thousands of words, the resulting learned models are nonetheless difficult to inspect and understand. Topic models and vector space models are two alternative approaches for generating low-dimensional document representations.

Chapter 3

Converting Vector Spaces into Interpretable Representations

3.1 Introduction

This chapter describes how to go from a domain-specific Semantic Space (see Section 2.2.4) to producing linear classifiers driven by features where each dimension is a ranking on a distinct labelled property in the domain. By a property, we mean a semantically meaningful aspect of domain knowledge that entities can be ranked on. We show an example representation and classifier that were obtained from a Semantic Space constructed from IMDB movie reviews in figure 3.1. We find that these representations are more interpretable than standard baseline interpretable representations (e.g. Topic Models), and also find that they outperform baseline harder to understand classifiers (Linear SVM's) in F1-score for some tasks, even when constrained to a very simple linear classifier.

3.1.1 Semantic Relations

The success of these semantic spaces similarity-based structure has lead many to investigate how to obtain formal relationships from them. One such striking example is in that of linear analogies in word-vectors (see Section ??, where it was found that the

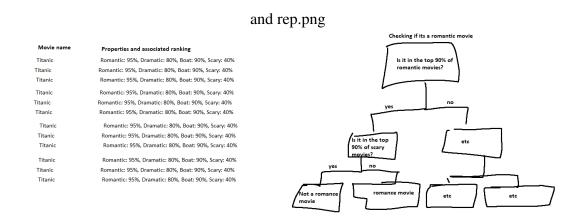


Figure 3.1: Movies and selected associated dimensions, and their use in a linear classifier.

vector XXXX[]King queen blah blah[]XXXXXXX, formally justified in [?]. These relationships have been expanded on, for example [13] found that "equivalent relations tended to correspond to parallel vector differences" [10], while [10] discovered that by decomposing representations into orthogonal semantic and syntactic subspaces they were able to produce substantial improvements on various tasks. Additionally, [?] found that word distances between gendered words (e.g. male, female, she, her) and occupational words e.g. (nurse, programmer) were correlated to the percentage of occupation that gender had for that role in different time periods.

The semantic relation that we focus in on this paper are directions that correspond to salient features from the considered domain. A "direction" refers in this case to the orthogonal direction to a hyper plane that separates a term in a vector space. As the hyper plane separates entities, this means that the entities furthest along the hyper plane, at the end classified positively, are the entities we are most sure have the term we found the hyper plane for. To see an example of this, see ?? With this understanding, it becomes possible to induce a ranking of entities on the properties by finding the dot product of the entity points on the direction vector. These kind-of directions have been used in many different ways for different domains, For instance, [?] found that features of countries, such as their GDP, fertility rate or even level of CO₂ emissions,

can be predicted from word embeddings using a linear regression model. Similarly, in [?] directions in word embeddings were found that correspond to adjectival scales (e.g. bad < okay < good < excellent) while [?] found directions indicating lexical features such as the frequency of occurrence and polarity of words.

3.1.2 Producing an Interpretable Property Representation

By finding the dot product between entity points in the space and direction vectors, it is possible to induce a ranking of entities on those directions. In this chapter, we more deeply investigate the potential of direction vectors to rank entities on properties to form an interpretable representation. In this thesis, we refer to these direction vectors as directions to convey the ordinal meaning, and directions as 'properties' if they are sufficiently salient in the space, e.g. In a domain of IMDB movie reviews where movies are entities, a direction on the word "The" would not be a property, but a direction on the word "Horror" would be.

We demonstrate the effect of different filtering methods to find properties, the ability of different clustering methods to label properties, as well as the number and types of directions, for use in a low-depth interpretable linear classifier; a Decision Tree. In Figure 3.3, we demonstrate how depth could affect a Decision Tree that uses salient properties. These trees are not only evaluated quantitatively on key domain tasks, we also evaluate how interpretable the resulting rules are. This gives us a comprehensive idea of how we can use these rankings as an interpretable representation. By using a Decision Tree, we can identify salient properties - if we are able to construct a simple but high-scoring classifier for if a movie is a 'Comedy' using only our ranking of entities on the property p = "Funny", "Hilarious", "Laughing" then we know that this property is salient. Although this is an extreme case, for more complex concepts, if we have salient properties that form the building blocks of this concept, then the model can be less complex and more general, two desirable properties for interpretable classifiers.

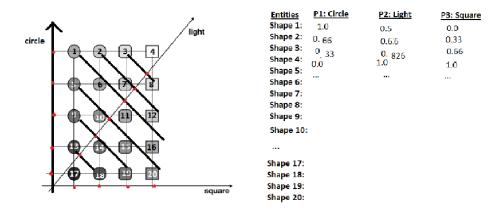


Figure 3.2: This figure shows a 2d toy space where entities are shapes and directions are properties. We demonstrate on the right the method to induce a ranking from the directions, in particular by using the dot-product of the entity point on the directions vector. In the same way for a more complex space, we can understand each entity point to be ranked on thousands of property directions, and the space to be much higher dimensionality..

3.1.3 Using a Property Representation in a Linear Classifier

Our method can use any vector space that linearly separates entities, and so it has potential longevity. This means that our method is relying on structure in the space that does not directly correspond to our desired representation - we can view our approach as a linear transformation of the space. We address this problem in Chapter ??. However, we have the capability to leverage many different methods to construct a vector space for our representation, so as long as dense representations of entities exist it will be possible to use our method, and as they are improved the results that our method can achieve will be improved too. This kind of flexibility also gives us the potential to combine the resultant representations from different vector spaces for classification, e.g. concatenating the vectors from different spaces.

Topic models such as Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA) represent documents as multinomial distributions over latent topics, where each of these topics corresponds to a

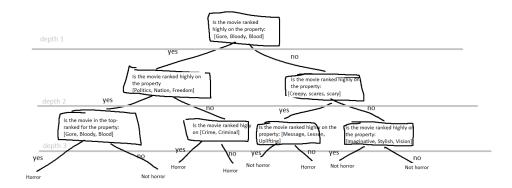


Figure 3.3: This figure shows an example tree from one of our classifiers. Here, we can see that the model increases in complexity as it increases in depth. In this case, we end-up getting better F-score with just a depth-one tree, as the tree begins to overfit at depth three. .

multinomial distribution over words [1]. These topics tend to correspond to semantically meaningful concepts, hence topic models tend to be rather interpretable [4]. To characterize the semantic concepts associated with the learned topics, topics are typically labelled with the most probable words according to the corresponding distribution.

This chapter continues as follows: We begin by describing the work related to this, giving valuable context for the utility and potential of our approach. This is followed by an explanation of the method, including the variations we have adopted for our experimental work. We follow this with our qualitative experimentation, explaining how these variations affect the results, as well as the interpretability of the method, and we end with a quantitative analysis on how well we can represent domain knowledge using decision trees constrained to a limited depth.

3.2 Related Work

3.2 Related Work

3.2.1 Semantic Relations & Their Applications

Linear Classifiers Decision trees, linear SVM's, logistic regression, decision tables, IF Then rules.

What are the available options for interpretable linear classification?

How have each of these methods been measured or validated in the literature in regards to interpretability? How about application to real world situations?

Non linear classifiers What non linear classifiers networks are interpretable? How have they done it? How have they measured it? How does it compare to a linear method?

Neural networks Approximating w/linear model, Interpretable nodes/weights

Other Stuff

3.2.2 Interpretable Representations

3.2.3 Interpretable Classifiers

There are two ways in which topic models can be used for document classification. First, a supervised topic model can be used, in which the underlying graphical model is explicitly extended with a variable that represents the class label [3]. Second, the parameters of the multinomial distribution corresponding to a given document can be used as a feature vector for a standard classifier, such as a Support Vector Machine (SVM) or Decision Tree. LDA has been extended by many approaches, e.g. aiming to avoid the need to manually specify the number of topics [?], modelling correlations between topics [2], or by incorporating meta-data such as authors [?] or time stamps [?].

Broadly speaking, in the context of document classification, the main advantage of topic models is that their topics tend to be easily interpretable, while vector space models tend to be more flexible in the kind of meta-data that can be exploited. The approach we propose in this paper aims to combine the best of both worlds, by providing a way to derive interpretable representations from vector space models.

3.3 Method

This section details the methodology to go from a Bag-Of-Words 2.1.1 and a Semantic Space 2.2.4 from a domain to an interpretable representation where each dimension of the feature vectors corresponds to a property in the domain labelled by a cluster of words.

3.3.1 Definitions

Domain Where the data was originally sourced from DOM^IMDB , e.g. IMDB movie reviews.

Word A string of alphanumeric characters that originated from text in the domain DOM_w , e.g. the w = "Horror" from a domain of IMDB movie reviews DOM^IMDB .

Documents A unique group of words, e.g. a review from a domain of IMDB movie reviews DOM_IMDB .

Vector Space A representation composed of vectors.

Semantic Space A representation where spatial relationships between vectors correspond to semantic relationships.

Word frequency The frequency of a word wf for its document D_wf .

Bag-Of-Words a BOW of documents BOW_D where each document is composed of unordered frequencies of words $D = [wf_1, ..., wf_n]$. and Conceptual Space we obtain

a representation of entities composed of properties. Then, we cover the additional methods we propose to improve this process.

Feature A feature is a representation of a document, e.g. as a vector in a vector space or document in a bag-of-words.

Direction vector The orthogonal direction to a hyper plane that separates a term in a vector space.

Cluster label A cluster of words that describe a property.

Cluster direction The averaged directions of all words in the label.

Property A distinguishing aspect of the domain, in the case of this work represented by the dot product between feature vectors of a Semantic Space and a direction vector (either clustered or corresponding to a single term) that corresponds to a word or group of words.

Our process is generally in three parts, first we obtain directions for terms from the domain T_d see ??, then we filter these terms to remove those that will not result in good properties. Finally, we cluster the remaining terms to obtain property directions P_d and an associated label $l = [t_1, ..., t_n]$.

We start with a domain-specific vector space S_e and its associated bag-of-words (BOW) representation B_w . To obtain these properties, we use a variant of the unsupervised method proposed in [?], which we explain in this section.

Obtaining Term Directions

We can understand that only some words will be properties, as only some correspond to domain knowledge, e.g. in a domain of IMDB movies, the word "the" does not correspond to a property of the domain, but the word "horror" does. Initially, we obtain rankings of entities for each word in the space.

As an initial filtering step, we remove words that do not meet a frequency threshold, with the understanding that words that do not occur in a minimum amount of documents are unlikely to correspond to properties as they are too specific to a subset of movies, which would make them difficult to learn. This leaves us with w_n words. We show the kind of words that would be poorly represented in ??.

Then, for each considered word w, a logistic regression classifier is trained to find a hyperplane H_w in the space that separates entities e which contain w in their BOW B_e representation from those that do not. The vector v_w perpendicular to this hyperplane is then taken as a direction that models the word w. In $\ref{eq:content}$, we show an example of this in a toy domain. To rank the objects on the entity, if e is the representation of an entity in the given vector space S_e then we can think of the dot product $v_w \cdot e$ as the value $r_e w$ of object e for vector v_w , and in particular, we take $r_e 1 < r_e 2$ to mean that e_2 has the property labelled with the word w to a greater extent than e_1 . The result of this is shown in $\ref{eq:content}$?? Example entities, with their associated highest and lowest ranking properties, are shown in $\ref{eq:content}$??

Filtering Directions

With the rankings R_r , we could create a representation of each entity Se, composed of w_n dimensions, where each dimension is a ranking of the entity e on that word w_re . However, many of the words do not properties. In-order to filter these words out, we evaluate them using a scoring metric, and remove the words that are not sufficiently well scored. We use three different metrics:

Classification accuracy. Evaluating the quality in terms of the accuracy of the logistic regression classifier: if this classifier is sufficiently accurate, it must mean that whether word w relates to object o (i.e. whether it is used in the description of o) is important enough to affect the semantic space representation of o. In such a case, it seems reasonable to assume that w describes a salient property for the given domain.

Cohen's Kappa. One problem with accuracy as a scoring function is that these classification problems are often very imbalanced. In particular, for very rare words, a high accuracy might not necessarily imply that the corresponding direction is accurate. For this reason, X proposed to use Cohen's Kappa score instead. In our experiments, however, we found that accuracy sometimes yields better results, so we keep this as an alternative metric.

Normalized Discounted Cumulative Gain This is a standard metric in information retrieval which evaluates the quality of a ranking w.r.t. some given relevance scores [?]. In our case, the rankings r_e of the entity e are those induced by the dot products $v_w \cdot e$ and the relevance scores are determined by the Pointwise Positive Mutual Information (PPMI) score ppmi(w,e), of the word w in the BoW representation of entity e where $ppmi(w,e) = \max\left(0,\log\left(\frac{p_{we}}{p_{w*}\cdot p_{*o}}\right)\right)$, and

$$p_{wo} = \frac{n(w, o)}{\sum_{w'} \sum_{o'} n(w', o')}$$

where n(w,e) is the number of occurrences of w in the BoW representation of object e, $p_{w*} = \sum_{e'} p_{we'}$ and $p_{*e} = \sum_{w'} p_{w'e}$.

In principle, we may expect that accuracy and Kappa are best suited for binary features, as they rely on a hard separation in the space between objects that have the word in their BoW representation and those that do not, while NDCG should be better suited for gradual features. In practice, however, we could not find such a clear pattern in the differences between the words chosen by these metrics despite often finding different words. In Table ??, we show examples of properties scored highly for each domain.

Obtaining Salient Properties

If we consider two directions, "Blood" and "Gore", we can understand both of these to be approximating a property of films; How much blood they contain. Because of this, we can expect their directions to be very similar to each other. Averaging these

directions together would result in a direction inbetween them. Similarly, obtaining a hyper plane using a Logistic Regression classifier that uses occurences of both and either of these terms as positive would be similar to this averaged direction. As some entities would have the property of being bloody films, but did not necessarily use the term gore in their reviews, same as some entities having the property but using the term gore not bloody, we can understand that this new hyper plane and associayed direction more accurately represents the property of a bloody film more than either of the terms individually. This is the principle behind our clustering method - going from term directions to property directiona.

A term direction for "beautiful" is nebulous in the sense that we are not necessarily able to intuit its associated property. However, once we cluster the terms to find the property ("beautiful", "cinematography" "shots") we are given valuable context for the word. This is another advantage for clustering, we are able to construct a list of terms that label the property, alllowing us to more easily understand the meaning of thr ranking we induce.

Naturally, it is sometimes not enough to see a list of terms and understand the property without domain knowledge. However, by examining how classifiers use these directions to classify key domain knowledge we are better able to understand what they are modelling. For example, when classifying if a movie is a sci-fi, we see that if a movie is ranked highly on the term "science, scientist", then it is not a sci-fi movie. However, when classifying if a movie is a biography, we see that if a movie is ranked highly on "science, scientist" then it is a biography movie. From this, we can understand that the property is not about mad scientists, but normal non-fiction science.

As this method is sensitive to the first direction selected (if the first direction is not a property then we will likely find a few useless terms before landing on something useful)

Although we are able to find the words that are most salient, the properties in the domain may not correspond directly to words. Further, the properties may not be well

described by their associated word. In-order to find better representations of properties, we cluster together similar vectors v_w , following the assumption that those vectors which are similar are representing some property more general than their individual words, and we can find it between them. As the final step, we cluster the best-scoring candidate feature directions v_w . Each of these clusters will then define one of the feature directions to be used in applications. The purpose of this clustering step is three-fold: it will ensure that the feature directions are sufficiently different (e.g. in a space of movies there is little point in having *funny* and *hilarious* as separate features), it will make the features easier to interpret (as a cluster of terms is more descriptive than an individual term), and it will alleviate sparsity issues when we want to relate features with the BoW representation, which will play an important role for the fine-tuning method described in the next section.

As input to the clustering algorithm, we consider the N best-scoring candidate feature directions v_w , where N is a hyperparameter. To cluster these N vectors, we have followed the approach proposed in [?], which we found to perform slightly better than K-means. The main idea underlying their approach is to select the cluster centers such that (i) they are among the top-scoring candidate feature directions, and (ii) are as close to being orthogonal to each other as possible. We refer to [?] for more details. The output of this step is a set of clusters $C_1, ..., C_K$, where we will identify each cluster C_j with a set of words. We will furthermore write v_{C_j} to denote the centroid of the directions corresponding to the words in the cluster C_j , which can be computed as $v_{C_j} = \frac{1}{|C_j|} \sum_{w_l \in C_j} v_l$ provided that the vectors v_w are all normalized. These centroids $v_{C_1}, ..., v_{C_k}$ are the feature directions that are identified by our method.

Table ?? displays some examples of clusters that have been obtained for three of the datasets that will be used in the experiments, modelling respectively movies, placetypes and newsgroup postings. For each dataset, we used the scoring function that led to the best performance on development data(see Section ??). Only the first four words whose direction is closest to the centroid v_C are shown. K-Means Derrac's K-Means

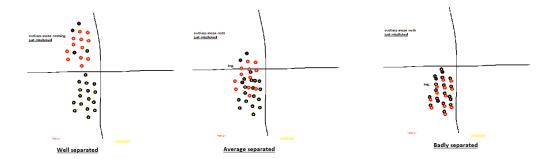


Figure 3.4: A conceptual space of movies, where regions correspond to properties and entities are points..

Variation Mean-shift Hdbscan

3.3.2 Quantitative Results

This section focuses on using linear classifiers to determine how well our method represents domain knowledge compared to standard baselines. We can understand that an accurate representation of domain knowledge will be one that ensures semantically distinct entities are separated, and semantically similar entities are close together. Put another way, if the space is representing domain knowledge well we can expect that the space should be linearly separable for key semantics of the domain. For example, a good vector space in the domain of movies constructed from IMDB movie reviews should contain a natural separation of entities into genres, where Horror movies are spatially distant from Romance movies, and movies that are Romantic Horrors would be somewhere inbetween. We can see an example in Figure 3.4. For a Bag-Of-Words, we can expect similar entities to have similarly scoring terms ??.

When selecting the parameters to use for the doc2vec space when obtaining directions, we choose the one that scored the highest for its class on a Linear SVM, rather than tuning the entire process around the doc2vecs vectors. We use the kind of multiclass strategy as a hyper-parameter for each class-type in the grid search. We test the

Top PPMI scoring terms

Example Horror Entity	Term term term term term term term term t
Similar Horror Entity	Term term term term term term term term t
Somewhere Inbetween Entity	Term term term term term term term term t
Romance Movie	Term term term term term term term term t
Similar Romance movie	Term term term term term term term term t

Table 3.1: Two of the following entities: Those classified as horror, those classified as horror and romance, and those classified as romance with their associated highest value PPMI terms. We show the highest positive instances here as the representation is sparse, even though we can also expect the terms that are low scoring to be similar too..

OneVsOne classifier method, treating each as binary problems, the OneVsRest method and the OutputCode method. We are not able to obtain an MDS space for sentiment or doc2vec spaces for placetypes/movies.

As our work performs well even at lower-depth trees, this gives potential users more flexibility in how they want to present the information, e.g. to a potential client. Compared to bag-of-words, which loses its representation capabilities the lower the depth.

Results for vector spaces and bag-of-words

3.3.3 Interpretability Results

	SVM	DT (N)	DT (3)	DT (2)	DT (1)
PPMI	0.594	0.441	0.44	0.441	0.315
PCA 50	0.509	0.418	0.308	0.418	0.229
PCA 100	0.577	0.412	0.36	0.412	0.238
PCA 200	0.597	0.409	0.342	0.409	0.24
D2V 50	0.592	0.308	0.308	0.308	0.244
D2V 100	0.613	0.335	0.324	0.335	0.234
D2V 200	0.619	0.369	0.369	0.369	0.251
AWV 50	0.348	0.233	0.233	0.233	0.213
AWV 100	0.378	0.236	0.236	0.236	0.208
AWV 200	0.451	0.236	0.236	0.236	0.22
MDS 50	0.381	0.242	0.242	0.242	0.191
MDS 100	0.432	0.238	0.238	0.238	0.148
MDS 200	0.481	0.243	0.243	0.243	0.188

Table 3.2: Results for 20 newsgroups (Original table F1 scores only).

	avg_acc	avg_f1	avg_kappa	avg_prec	avg_recall
PCA 50	0.96490308	0.492247891	0.457299224	0.711658333	0.376247516
AWV 50	0.836962294	0.348019806	0.287991958	0.221993012	0.805053757
MDS 50	0.850165959	0.380514451	0.319361959	0.249390206	0.80239975
D2V 50	0.969251195	0.583050235	0.552867243	0.762328571	0.472039711
PCA 100	0.96798991	0.573312826	0.548472358	0.76084381	0.45994634
AWV 100	0.8581718	0.37842844	0.32249064	0.247582046	0.802600456
MDS 100	0.877734997	0.431782978	0.367431954	0.304064453	0.744501764
D2V 100	0.969576474	0.607208735	0.580914149	0.763888161	0.503862585
PCA 200	0.96814923	0.600195646	0.579020555	0.736568432	0.506431769
AWV 200	0.960010621	0.451033454	0.417523124	0.628312372	0.351778753
MDS 200	0.964630908	0.480837639	0.450593914	0.789387894	0.345709284
D2V 200	0.969138343	0.619296679	0.597329654	0.731193811	0.537102079

Table 3.3: Results for 20 newsgroups SVM.

	F1	PREC	RECALL
PCA 50	0.328304254	0.206683241	0.797709964
AWV 50	0.232797129	0.136574918	0.787908695
MDS 50	0.242237348	0.144618794	0.745359468
D2V 50	0.262485129	0.159552724	0.739667629
PCA 100	0.348355036	0.590710997	0.247011539
AWV 100	0.236469254	0.139836252	0.765381631
MDS 100	0.237535645	0.140254022	0.775272724
D2V 100	0.241880243	0.144911904	0.731095552
PCA 200	0.360425936	0.540033963	0.270470942
AWV 200	0.235578784	0.139287267	0.763171354
MDS 200	0.243002892	0.145997046	0.72416485
D2V 200	0.242582271	0.144063637	0.767313249

Table 3.4: Results for 20 newsgroups DT3.

	F1	PREC	RECALL
PCA 50	0.351456416	0.23188865	0.725588605
AWV 50	0.277555185	0.175212293	0.667373129
MDS 50	0.262512227	0.160257903	0.725294194
D2V 50	0.291764949	0.1910914	0.616623507
PCA 100	0.36290335	0.24352329	0.711882698
AWV 100	0.260604694	0.160646408	0.689841882
MDS 100	0.262095206	0.161124391	0.70203524
D2V 100	0.275263826	0.173804325	0.661305683
PCA 200	0.359230759	0.239547295	0.717920958
AWV 200	0.249564678	0.151789776	0.701313625
MDS 200	0.253938183	0.153568133	0.733049213
D2V 200	0.273966602	0.175932631	0.618748321

Table 3.5: Results for 20 newsgroups DT2.

	F1	PREC	RECALL
PCA 50	0.237796799	0.139329768	0.810816271
AWV 50	0.212916931	0.123466917	0.772798069
MDS 50	0.174946697	0.099635471	0.716605845
D2V 50	0.206890545	0.119473856	0.771060354
PCA 100	0.241437752	0.142104023	0.80217534
AWV 100	0.208197142	0.1202674	0.774308646
MDS 100	0.186613434	0.105176833	0.826757278
D2V 100	0.196855298	0.112987628	0.76381335
PCA 200	0.24018672	0.140977055	0.810699841
AWV 200	0.220189174	0.128863697	0.755880029
MDS 200	0.187525181	0.105846321	0.821304769
D2V 200	0.207592806	0.121252635	0.72097962

Table 3.6: Results for 20 newsgroups DT1.

	F1	PREC	RECALL
PCA 50	0.41928432	0.405469685	0.434073508
AWV 50	0.30215353	0.281684719	0.325830202
MDS 50	0.293534597	0.279429073	0.309139919
D2V 50	0.38212279	0.396860235	0.368440707
PCA 100	0.41444605	0.39177829	0.439897947
AWV 100	0.296573651	0.277583826	0.318352508
MDS 100	0.303315524	0.284560799	0.324716839
D2V 100	0.369399726	0.390914592	0.350129557
PCA 200	0.405630591	0.384607892	0.429084378
AWV 200	0.307071322	0.287564233	0.329417555
MDS 200	0.295333334	0.275822911	0.31781401
D2V 200	0.350219973	0.37188488	0.330940371

Table 3.7: Results for 20 newsgroups DTN.

	F1	Precision	Recall
PCA 50	0.886155063	0.876447574	0.89608
AWV 50	0.755943328	0.756367131	0.75552
D2V 50	0.86072602	0.862176914	0.85928
PCA 100	0.891788242	0.881575862	0.90224
AWV 100	0.801005145	0.798743139	0.80328
D2V 100	0.872537705	0.8680814	0.87704
PCA 200	0.892751333	0.881779165	0.904
AWV 200	0.828502127	0.823622421	0.83344
D2V 200	0.878093492	0.874851108	0.88136

Table 3.8: Results for Sentiment SVM.

	avg_f1	avg_prec	avg_recall
PPMI	0.699599048	0.574907331	0.89336
PCA 50	0.124525871	0.590631365	0.0696
AWV 50	0.495850524	0.608827297	0.41824
D2V 50	0.664416948	0.625264644	0.7088
PCA 100	0.705496839	0.8337515	0.61144
AWV 100	0.599821349	0.678968655	0.5372
D2V 100	0.629258374	0.567823344	0.7056
PCA 200	0.705458908	0.833496892	0.61152
AWV 200	0.651572425	0.63521009	0.6688
D2V 200	0.663735313	0.603961695	0.73664

Table 3.9: Results for Sentiment DT1.

	F1	PREC	RECALL
PPMI	0.718834534	0.606500577	0.88224
PCA 50	0.769670528	0.72629188	0.81856
AWV 50	0.621045392	0.594426565	0.65016
D2V 50	0.708094413	0.606995885	0.8496
PCA 100	0.769658907	0.726208218	0.81864
AWV 100	0.693895748	0.607262905	0.80936
D2V 100	0.707420276	0.620556461	0.82256
PCA 200	0.769572084	0.72605364	0.81864
AWV 200	0.663435963	0.609166945	0.72832
D2V 200	0.694119925	0.581737531	0.86032

Table 3.10: Results for Sentiment DT2.

	F1	PREC	RECALL
PPMI	0.730120722	0.624793671	0.87816
PCA 50	0.773241796	0.790326623	0.75688
AWV 50	0.716599792	0.668978912	0.77152
D2V 50	0.706911296	0.687509451	0.72744
PCA 100	0.773228733	0.790212126	0.75696
AWV 100	0.651385973	0.701226824	0.60816
D2V 100	0.724228567	0.658482289	0.80456
PCA 200	0.773133962	0.790014194	0.75696
AWV 200	0.686097207	0.692470665	0.67984
D2V 200	0.688555129	0.668651541	0.70968

Table 3.11: Results for Sentiment DT3.

	F1	PREC	RECALL
PPMI	0.709744995	0.714842165	0.70472
PCA 50	0.778979658	0.786086673	0.772
AWV 50	0.645669922	0.645980141	0.64536
D2V 50	0.699698128	0.704090725	0.69536
PCA 100	0.773306533	0.777212121	0.76944
AWV 100	0.647586262	0.648053197	0.64712
D2V 100	0.683666547	0.682060674	0.68528
PCA 200	0.770502991	0.773265651	0.76776
AWV 200	0.663097363	0.657491152	0.6688
D2V 200	0.665625	0.666693419	0.66456

Table 3.12: Results for Sentiment DTN.

	avg_acc	avg_f1	avg_kappa	avg_prec	avg_recall
PCA 50	0.803602223	0.443589681	0.308199143	0.339736332	0.638891067
AWV 50	0.810116881	0.457499286	0.323892593	0.349551692	0.661907853
MDS 50	0.813565817	0.457003603	0.323002846	0.364634555	0.61204707
PCA 100	0.821421728	0.450122408	0.32121053	0.35527646	0.614052074
AWV 100	0.835409082	0.455127069	0.336542753	0.364636358	0.6053566
MDS 100	0.83713355	0.474728943	0.352474877	0.393159213	0.599006284
PCA 200	0.84671393	0.474074812	0.360353916	0.395372385	0.591897289
AWV 200	0.849971259	0.465697168	0.355000122	0.385607296	0.587777361
MDS 200	0.861084499	0.476306142	0.367476644	0.425416709	0.541024925

Table 3.13: Results for OpenCYC SVM.

	avg_acc	avg_f1	avg_kappa	avg_prec	avg_recall
PCA 50	0.695152328	0.341785127	0.157118987	0.242841085	0.576797613
AWV 50	0.728300441	0.39586446	0.226931085	0.281210223	0.668370655
MDS 50	0.728492048	0.361747133	0.19053657	0.26813119	0.555800661
PCA 100	0.646100786	0.305716926	0.103702685	0.214560016	0.531547629
AWV 100	0.69898448	0.352968414	0.174088352	0.251372807	0.592390968
MDS 100	0.722552213	0.355478522	0.17636028	0.262349467	0.551113186
PCA 200	0.715845947	0.333121225	0.153256681	0.245505135	0.517977489
AWV 200	0.760682123	0.382249254	0.221321346	0.282220454	0.592115806
MDS 200	0.730599732	0.374349802	0.195944453	0.279258101	0.567639997

Table 3.14: Results for OpenCYC DT3.

	avg_acc	avg_f1	avg_kappa	avg_prec	avg_recall
PCA 50	0.707606821	0.343429484	0.156929616	0.251027506	0.543482807
AWV 50	0.650890975	0.375734032	0.183056015	0.256467865	0.702350672
MDS 50	0.707415214	0.387617362	0.194958449	0.275974626	0.650954337
PCA 100	0.623107875	0.310355155	0.102113833	0.208258091	0.608829572
AWV 100	0.689020885	0.366415742	0.181031062	0.258842906	0.626985335
MDS 100	0.694002683	0.369986155	0.180288011	0.265420819	0.610498481
PCA 200	0.689020885	0.333046463	0.147294515	0.245169324	0.519115278
AWV 200	0.646292393	0.325676238	0.128022927	0.234108504	0.534889609
MDS 200	0.700134125	0.397197263	0.204265502	0.294908338	0.608125541

Table 3.15: Results for OpenCYC DT2.

	avg_acc	avg_f1	avg_kappa	avg_prec	avg_recall
PCA 50	0.553745928	0.310633902	0.092680202	0.206504902	0.626587132
AWV 50	0.624640736	0.382961496	0.17878069	0.262022566	0.711241624
MDS 50	0.615443572	0.35823563	0.146293722	0.240950353	0.697990127
PCA 100	0.585744395	0.346181476	0.13321519	0.228755781	0.711317277
AWV 100	0.620042154	0.380088459	0.176711823	0.254076387	0.754085962
MDS 100	0.624065913	0.364362146	0.155358843	0.245217405	0.708701922
PCA 200	0.601073002	0.344834471	0.134633794	0.229762238	0.690818169
AWV 200	0.643993102	0.349374827	0.146997089	0.236040865	0.672062735
MDS 200	0.597049243	0.358243938	0.143631945	0.237385589	0.729803158

Table 3.16: Results for OpenCYC DT1.

	avg_acc	avg_f1	avg_kappa	avg_prec	avg_recall
PCA 50	0.831960146	0.297281859	0.174312986	0.284553476	0.311202271
AWV 50	0.843839816	0.361596554	0.244157721	0.335722254	0.391792196
MDS 50	0.842690171	0.305261263	0.187421961	0.319838245	0.291955087
PCA 100	0.831768538	0.308890047	0.18386471	0.311999386	0.30584207
AWV 100	0.825828703	0.3157161	0.187815304	0.299946267	0.333236166
MDS 100	0.826403526	0.29890705	0.170454934	0.273414301	0.329642427
PCA 200	0.829852462	0.283509252	0.157446109	0.285790467	0.281264167
AWV 200	0.825062272	0.315853073	0.187303114	0.28455479	0.354887247
MDS 200	0.826211918	0.257117269	0.118759787	0.273406638	0.242659775

Table 3.17: Results for OpenCYC DTN.

	avg_acc	avg_f1	avg_kappa	avg_prec	avg_recall
PCA 50	0.895572264	0.568015809	0.501678075	0.487221026	0.680933505
AWV 50	0.932330827	0.54620429	0.499671391	0.626786958	0.483981376
MDS 50	0.908103592	0.586608962	0.515425669	0.512247438	0.686226545
PCA 100	0.923141186	0.558970742	0.491390942	0.619275607	0.509368588
AWV 100	0.94235589	0.594804035	0.555653205	0.668948188	0.53545577
MDS 100	0.926482874	0.615292664	0.557389577	0.580419711	0.654623981
PCA 200	0.917293233	0.541635593	0.475003669	0.618051665	0.482036476
AWV 200	0.923141186	0.621747387	0.572616698	0.588166472	0.659395043
MDS 200	0.932330827	0.619167077	0.553015718	0.617480101	0.620863297

Table 3.18: Results for Foursquare SVM.

	avg_acc	avg_f1	avg_kappa	avg_prec	avg_recall
PCA 50	0.839598997	0.372257009	0.267318657	0.30580459	0.475608395
AWV 50	0.88888889	0.333089916	0.248206274	0.405456349	0.282643327
MDS 50	0.830409357	0.419208689	0.316494416	0.342341941	0.540588045
PCA 100	0.868838764	0.258742227	0.169002156	0.285630499	0.236480745
AWV 100	0.850459482	0.452009868	0.353271904	0.375570892	0.567514666
MDS 100	0.898913952	0.420948186	0.345823805	0.424938272	0.417032335
PCA 200	0.860484545	0.388032162	0.296331387	0.327684978	0.475624149
AWV 200	0.83625731	0.398606427	0.303172463	0.311572257	0.553111974
MDS 200	0.859649123	0.453720532	0.367624409	0.396116154	0.530929926

Table 3.19: Results for Foursquare DT3.

	avg_acc	avg_f1	avg_kappa	avg_prec	avg_recall
PCA 50	0.82289056	0.392580599	0.281920837	0.309401801	0.536926586
AWV 50	0.827903091	0.478278996	0.381606764	0.36842967	0.681460044
MDS 50	0.822055138	0.424355448	0.308763351	0.361969434	0.512724306
PCA 100	0.755221387	0.296725552	0.167952229	0.209764361	0.50684722
AWV 100	0.904761905	0.389295248	0.325049447	0.490226337	0.322829039
MDS 100	0.897243108	0.409821491	0.332196168	0.46487494	0.366426887
PCA 200	0.730994152	0.307534481	0.177887091	0.232183759	0.455289988
AWV 200	0.857978279	0.468783935	0.385734234	0.391391941	0.584325748
MDS 200	0.803675856	0.42673129	0.312371899	0.342173461	0.56679838

Table 3.20: Results for Foursquare DT2.

	avg_acc	avg_f1	avg_kappa	avg_prec	avg_recall
PCA 50	0.662489557	0.229077055	0.079211523	0.147644224	0.510816983
AWV 50	0.722639933	0.396225837	0.275700337	0.282063751	0.665633342
MDS 50	0.521303258	0.260605438	0.090701456	0.161991543	0.66610041
PCA 100	0.746867168	0.323216815	0.186288095	0.231022684	0.537860651
AWV 100	0.766917293	0.401290958	0.288812617	0.277038046	0.727641889
MDS 100	0.914786967	0.437858477	0.374376011	0.500864198	0.388933027
PCA 200	0.730994152	0.342263034	0.202224854	0.240331095	0.594342133
AWV 200	0.746031746	0.380859893	0.262290616	0.266223919	0.668879135
MDS 200	0.732664996	0.371307214	0.226238672	0.267356477	0.607514701

Table 3.21: Results for Foursquare DT1.

	avg_acc	avg_f1	avg_kappa	avg_prec	avg_recall
PCA 50	0.887218045	0.398256756	0.320725011	0.395149528	0.401413239
AWV 50	0.904761905	0.505069034	0.438593015	0.518028604	0.49274206
MDS 50	0.89390142	0.39499897	0.323143947	0.395981215	0.394021585
PCA 100	0.873015873	0.376756341	0.289354017	0.400611698	0.355582361
AWV 100	0.884711779	0.35844367	0.268995105	0.400944522	0.324089582
MDS 100	0.854636591	0.377612135	0.283423014	0.321749605	0.456947953
PCA 200	0.874686717	0.326303504	0.247282108	0.342929273	0.311215282
AWV 200	0.886382623	0.395980062	0.303883209	0.44741453	0.355152029
MDS 200	0.893065998	0.461813202	0.392690903	0.471080118	0.452903843

Table 3.22: Results for Foursquare DTN.

	avg_acc	avg_f1	avg_kappa	avg_prec	avg_recall
PCA 50	0.810559006	0.358148107	0.234048804	0.299351526	0.44568688
AWV 50	0.836438923	0.451222703	0.336497634	0.374448235	0.567599713
MDS 50	0.784679089	0.392395666	0.24443375	0.313753839	0.523646773
PCA 100	0.824016563	0.361529188	0.239800468	0.316458032	0.421570923
AWV 100	0.867494824	0.513755413	0.413110212	0.434108709	0.629194937
MDS 100	0.713250518	0.390532004	0.227207011	0.280588887	0.642142724
PCA 200	0.8436853	0.40092042	0.291657581	0.35733735	0.456611589
AWV 200	0.865424431	0.513988009	0.41302185	0.445389498	0.60756459
MDS 200	0.637681159	0.39650034	0.213717085	0.262253502	0.812329599

Table 3.23: Results for Geonames SVM.

	avg_acc	avg_f1	avg_kappa	avg_prec	avg_recall
PCA 50	0.680124224	0.29478471	0.122501925	0.201991012	0.545286876
AWV 50	0.713250518	0.25377	0.100391576	0.183142726	0.413064417
MDS 50	0.784679089	0.261891846	0.136012091	0.2084956	0.352053677
PCA 100	0.841614907	0.237260066	0.130180867	0.284786642	0.203327746
AWV 100	0.755693582	0.365164916	0.192834906	0.305374281	0.454069216
MDS 100	0.607660455	0.227454345	0.032886481	0.167615777	0.353738392
PCA 200	0.680124224	0.189278463	0.003823489	0.133089599	0.327578072
AWV 200	0.841614907	0.367019639	0.249986812	0.373118265	0.361117172
MDS 200	0.796066253	0.271625693	0.134331393	0.24476518	0.305108249

Table 3.24: Results for Geonames DT3.

	avg_acc	avg_f1	avg_kappa	avg_prec	avg_recall
PCA 50	0.69047619	0.305148854	0.130369825	0.21577343	0.520918146
AWV 50	0.738095238	0.310954829	0.15490415	0.238367125	0.447108622
MDS 50	0.694616977	0.33974778	0.159514116	0.2446167	0.555959698
PCA 100	0.67805383	0.237734434	0.065010282	0.164848865	0.426151008
AWV 100	0.754658385	0.323247726	0.176195969	0.247133088	0.467114564
MDS 100	0.531055901	0.24795975	0.02750648	0.163433649	0.513575287
PCA 200	0.6563147	0.259807247	0.073980668	0.178667481	0.475958102
AWV 200	0.85300207	0.173697283	0.090449158	0.20356175	0.151474514
MDS 200	0.667701863	0.229791347	0.036946057	0.151458025	0.475950563

Table 3.25: Results for Geonames DT2.

	avg_acc	avg_f1	avg_kappa	avg_prec	avg_recall
PCA 50	0.502070393	0.301104799	0.061819352	0.198359173	0.624669842
AWV 50	0.660455487	0.313961336	0.134392586	0.224578492	0.521532785
MDS 50	0.626293996	0.349125673	0.147011085	0.243137775	0.61892611
PCA 100	0.594202899	0.291992239	0.100440755	0.191654145	0.612833373
AWV 100	0.657349896	0.325658374	0.14728302	0.235431725	0.528013996
MDS 100	0.553830228	0.297616636	0.058027099	0.206694373	0.531351498
PCA 200	0.602484472	0.285530102	0.095389029	0.190597186	0.568877329
AWV 200	0.593167702	0.308568052	0.105417935	0.203284664	0.640064657
MDS 200	0.685300207	0.272314442	0.093166554	0.218701726	0.360748654

Table 3.26: Results for Geonames DT1.

	avg_acc	avg_f1	avg_kappa	avg_prec	avg_recall
PCA 50	0.81884058	0.206287264	0.089323711	0.196516538	0.217080418
AWV 50	0.83126294	0.257954417	0.149132237	0.24187974	0.27631775
MDS 50	0.803312629	0.265083269	0.11955942	0.268740939	0.261523827
PCA 100	0.820910973	0.24285113	0.10287381	0.286105247	0.210957969
AWV 100	0.845755694	0.274948597	0.176276415	0.27827957	0.271696423
MDS 100	0.82815735	0.194417219	0.088608744	0.182779779	0.207637318
PCA 200	0.801242236	0.239213047	0.101080713	0.230680272	0.248401316
AWV 200	0.8126294	0.332311235	0.192696161	0.296749178	0.377557229
MDS 200	0.844720497	0.294533825	0.15434765	0.380248649	0.240353795

Table 3.27: Results for Geonames DTN.

Table 3.28: Results for Genres SVM.

Table 3.29: Results for Genres DT3.

Table 3.30: Results for Genres DT2.

Table 3.31: Results for Genres DT1.

Table 3.32: Results for Genres DTN.

Table 3.33: Results for Keywords SVM.

Table 3.34: Results for Keywords DT3.

Table 3.35: Results for Keywords DT2.

Table 3.36: Results for Keywords DT1.

Table 3.37: Results for Keywords DTN.

Table 3.38: Results for Ratings SVM.

Table 3.39: Results for Ratings DT3.

Table 3.40: Results for Ratings DT2.

Table 3.41: Results for Ratings DT1.

Table 3.42: Results for Ratings DTN.

Chapter 4

Fine-tuning Vector Spaces to Improve Their Directions

"Commonly, these representations are made in a single vector space with similarity being the main structure of interest. However, recent work by Mikolov et al. (2013b) on a word-analogy task suggests that such spaces may have further use- ful internal regularities. They found that seman- tic differences, such as between big and small, and also syntactic differences, as between big and bigger, were encoded consistently across their space. In particular, they solved the word-analogy problems by exploiting the fact that equivalent re- lations tended to correspond to parallel vector- differences.

[10] "Explicitly designing such structure into a neural network model results in representations that decompose into orthog- onal semantic and syntactic subspaces. We demonstrate that using word-order and morphological structure within En- glish Wikipedia text to enable this de- composition can produce substantial im- provements on semantic-similarity, pos- induction and word-analogy tasks."

4.1 Experiments

We find that non-linearity is useful.

Chapter 5

Investigating Neural Networks In Terms Of Directions

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