

03_dirichlet_distribution

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1 Dirichlet Distribution

1.1 Imports

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[1]: import warnings
from collections import OrderedDict
from pathlib import Path

import numpy as np
import pandas as pd

# Visualization
from ipywidgets import interact, FloatSlider
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
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[3]: %matplotlib inline
plt.style.use('ggplot')
plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = (14.0, 8.7)
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
pd.options.display.float_format = '{:,.2f}'.format
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1.2 Simulate Dirichlet Distribution

The Dirichlet distribution produces probability vectors that can be used with discrete distributions. That is, it randomly generates a given number of values that are positive and sum to one. It has a parameter of positive real value that controls the concentration of the probabilities. Values closer to zero mean that only a few values will be positive and receive most probability mass.

The following simulation let's you interactively explore how different parameter values affect the resulting probability distributions.

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[4]: f=FloatSlider(value=1, min=1e-2, max=1e2, step=1e-2, continuous_update=False,
    ↳description='Alpha')
@interact(alpha=f)
def sample_dirichlet(alpha):
    topics = 10
    draws = 9
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alphas = np.full(shape=topics, fill_value=alpha)
samples = np.random.dirichlet(alpha=alphas, size=draws)

fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=3, ncols=3, sharex=True, sharey=True)
axes = axes.flatten()
plt.setp(axes, ylim=(0, 1))
for i, sample in enumerate(samples):
    axes[i].bar(x=list(range(10)), height=sample, color=sns.
↳color_palette("Set2", 10))
    fig.suptitle('Dirichlet Allocation | 10 Topics, 9 Samples')
fig.tight_layout()
plt.subplots_adjust(top=.95)

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interactive(children=(FloatSlider(value=1.0, continuous_update=False,
↳description='Alpha', min=0.01, step=0.01...

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