A fully Bayesian view of Latent Dirichlet Allocation

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In order to evaluate our model we ran experiments over three corpus to compare the typical LDA and his formulation with Boojum prior . We used a 20 news groups dataset, a nips 2012 set of articles and a the reuter50 corpus. Each of them were divided into a training and test set corpus with a ration 80-20 percent respectively. We fit both a classical LDA model and the extented LDA using the training set. The test set was used to assert to convergence of the training phase by computing the perplexity of the model. To compute it we follow a fold-in procedure and use the approximation in (Asuncion, 2009) to compute the perplexity. Hence the topic-word distribution is fit on the learning set and the document-topic distribution is evaluated on the testing set, thus the perplexity of the model is computed as follow:

$$\log p(x^{test}) = \sum_{dw} N_{dw} \log \sum_{k} \hat{\theta}_{kd} \hat{\phi}_{wk}$$

$$perplexity(x^{test}) = \exp(-\frac{\log p(x^{test})}{\sum_d Nd})$$

Each inference procedure was run over 50 iterations and reproduced 10 times to provide a stability measure. Therefore, the figure shows the mean perplexity for each run and his variance.

6 Discussion

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