

# Introduction to Data Science

Course 094201

Lab 9 & 10:

Term weighting for textual  
classification and retrieval

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# First Part (Lab 9)

## Goal:

- To improve Lab 8 results!

## Means:

1. tf based representation.
2. tf\*idf based representation.
3. Standardization of terms – by transforming to lowercase.
4. Stopwords removal.
5. Using cosine similarity instead of Euclidian distance.

# The dataset and the code (reminder)

- Sentiment analysis: The process of determining the emotional tone behind a series of words, used to gain an understanding of the attitudes, opinions and emotions expressed within a mention.
- In our case each line contains amazon products reviews and a **class** (0 for **negative tone** and 1 for **positive tone**) separated by a tab.
- **Examples:**
  - I love this thing!            1
  - VERY DISAPPOINTED.        0
- Our goal is to use the Rocchio classifier in order to predict whether a given sentence represents a positive tone or a negative tone.

# *tf* based representation

- $tf_{t,d}$  is the number of occurrences of a term  $t$  in a document  $d$
- While there is a large difference between 0 and 1, the increase in importance of this signal with respect to the topic is not growing linearly
- *tf* variants:
  1. Raw count of term  $t$  in document  $d$
  2. ***wf (implement this variant)***

$$wf_{t,d} = 0 \text{ if } tf_{t,d} = 0, 1 + \log tf_{t,d} \text{ otherwise}$$

## *idf*

- One of the most important measures of informativeness of a term: its rarity across the whole corpus
  - Widely used in practice in different IR applications today
- Variant 1:  
inverse of the raw count of number of documents the term occurs in  
( $idf_i = 1/df_i$ )
- Variant 2 (widely used):

$$idf_i = \log\left(\frac{n}{df_i}\right)$$

where  $n$  is the total number of documents in the corpus

# *tf\*idf* based representation

- Assign a *tf\*idf* weight to each term  $i$  in each document  $d$

$$w_{i,d} = tf_{i,d} \times \log(n / df_i)$$

$tf_{i,d}$  = frequency of term  $i$  in document  $d$

$n$  = total number of documents

$df_i$  = the number of documents that contain term  $i$

- Increases with the number of occurrences *within* a doc
- Increases with the rarity of the term *across* the whole corpus

# Text pre-processing

1. **Lowercase:** change all the words in the documents to lower case letters.
2. **Remove punctuation marks.**
3. Stopwords are extremely common words that can be considered noise. E.g.: *the, and, or*. **Stopword removal** reduces the dimension of the vectors.

**The file “stop\_words.txt” contains a list of stop words, use it in order to remove stopwords from the documents.**

# Use cosine similarity

- A vector can be *normalized* (given a length of 1) by dividing each of its components by its length – here we use the  $L_2$  norm

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_i x_i^2}$$

- This maps vectors onto the unit sphere:  $\|\vec{d}_j\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n w_{i,j}^2} = 1$
- There is no bias towards longer documents:

Dot product

Unit vectors

$$\cos(\vec{q}, \vec{d}) = \frac{\vec{q} \bullet \vec{d}}{\|\vec{q}\| \|\vec{d}\|} = \frac{\vec{q}}{\|\vec{q}\|} \bullet \frac{\vec{d}}{\|\vec{d}\|} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n q_i d_i}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n q_i^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n d_i^2}}$$



# Assignment For First Part (Lab 9)

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1. Implement each of the improvement phases.
2. For each phase of improvement report:
  - Improvement over baseline (using the boolean model with Euclidian distance – Lab 8)
  - Improvement over the previous stage (for example how much did changing to lowercase improve the results in comparison to tf-idf representation)
  - Explain in your own words the reason for each change in performance

# Second Part (Lab 10)

## Goal:

- To experiment with ad-hoc retrieval and evaluation
- Write a script which receives as **input** 3 parameters:
  - K – number of documents to retrieve.
  - query – a requested query
  - query-representation method (see below): (1) or (2)
- The **output** is a ranked list of k documents ordered by decreasing values of cosine similarity between the query and the document
  - The document is represented using a *tf\*idf* vector
  - The query is represented using:  
(1) a boolean vector (2) *tf\*idf* based representation
- Please use the code of the previous labs

# Assignment For Second Part (Lab 10)

1. The format of the output is:  
document\_id cosine\_similarity document\_text
2. Run the script and produce the requested output for each of the queries in the file. Parameters' values: 20 documents, query representation methods 1 and 2.

The naming convention of the output files:

"Output\_"queryID\_"methodID

where queryID is the ID of the query in the file and methodID is either 1 or 2

3. For each output compute precision@5 ( $p@5$ ). To do so you need to judge yourself which of the top retrieved documents are relevant. Remember: the judgment is based on the information need, not on the query. Therefore, use the queries file, where the information need is specified

## Lab 10 – contd.

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4. Report which query terms weighting method resulted in better retrieval based on average  $p@5$ . Explain your calculations.
5. For the last query “good camera” please calculate recall and average-precision. To do so we need to find all the documents relevant for the information need in the corpus.

Use `grep` (via the terminal) to identify all documents which contain the word *camera* and describe some good features (qualities) of a camera, then create a list of such documents (qrels file). Use this list to calculate  $\text{recall}@20$  and  $\text{average-precision}@20$  for the output of the best method you found in the previous question. Show your calculations in detail.

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Example:

Input: 10 Great product

- 1 . doc568 - Great Product. Score: 1.0
- 2 . doc768 - Great product. Score: 1.0
- 3 . doc397 - Great product and price. Score: 0.736444183991
- 4 . doc556 - Great product for the price!. Score: 0.526768386285
- 5 . doc792 - Great Phone. Score: 0.500186948891
- 6 . doc290 - Great Phone. Score: 0.500186948891
- 7 . doc647 - Great phone. Score: 0.500186948891
- 8 . doc896 - Great phone. Score: 0.500186948891
- 9 . doc718 - It was a great phone. Score: 0.500186948891
- 10 . doc971 - Excellent product. Score: 0.483219652836

# Assignment For Second Part (Lab 10)

## Example:

Input: 10 very high price buy something else

- 1 . doc543 - Don't buy this product. Score: 0.27700916645
- 2 . doc180 - Don't buy this product. Score: 0.27700916645
- 3 . doc291 - Don't buy it. Score: 0.26934524838
- 4 . doc303 - Good price. Score: 0.254515500537
- 5 . doc894 - This product is very High quality Chinese CRAP!!!!!! Score: 0.219875562438
- 6 . doc397 - Great product and price. Score: 0.216962526818
- 7 . doc534 - Great case and price! Score: 0.202724388262
- 8 . doc212 - Great price also! Score: 0.199595091105
- 9 . doc645 - Linksys should have some way to exchange a bad phone for a refurb unit or something! Score: 0.199306210806
- 10 . doc892 - Excellent product for the price. Score: 0.195823715594