

Retrieval Models

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Exercise #2: Language Models

Given the term-document matrix of a small document collection in Table 1, answer the questions below. You may use a spreadsheet program for the computations.

term	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5
T1		1			1
T2		1			1
T3	3	2	2		1
T4			1	1	
T5			1	1	1
T6	2	1		2	

Table 1: Term-document matrix.

Use the following formula for computing the document language model, with the smoothing parameter $\lambda = 0.1$.

$$p(t|\theta_d) = (1 - \lambda)P(t|d) + \lambda P(t|C) \quad (1)$$

And this is the formula for scoring a given query:

$$P(q|d) = \prod_{t \in q} P(t|\theta_d)^{f_{t,q}} \quad (2)$$

Questions

Answers are given up to 3 digits. See the Excel sheet on GitHub for the computations.

1. What is the value of $P(t|d)$ for $t=T2$ and $d=D2$? **0.2**
2. What is the value of $P(t|d)$ for $t=T5$ and $d=D1$? **0**
3. What is the probability of the term T2 in the collection language model? **0.091**
4. What is the probability of the term T6 in the collection language model? **0.227**
5. What is the probability of T2 in the smoothed document model of D2 ($P(t|\theta_d)$)? **0.189**
6. What is the probability of T5 in the smoothed document model of D1 ($P(t|\theta_d)$)? **0.014**
7. What is probability of the query $q="T3"$ given document D1? ($P(q|d)$)? **0.576**
8. What is probability of the query $q="T2 T1"$ given document D2? ($P(q|d)$)? **0.036**
9. Which document has the highest probability for the query $q="T6"$? **D4**
10. Which document has the highest probability for the query $q="T3 T1 T3 T2"$? **D2**