SURV703 - Content Analysis Installing GENSIM, implementing word2vec embedding model, briefly explaining the results Elisabeth Linek

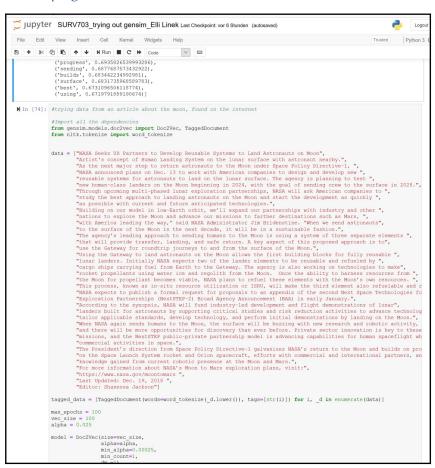
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Task: Using gensim (Links to an external site.), train an LDA topic model (Links to an external site.) or a word2vec embedding model (Links to an external site.) on a corpus of your choice. Interpret the results in a short text of variable length (no more than 500 words).

Starting off with the installation of gensim. The first problem I encountered was, the impossibility to define pdf-files as corpus. So I setted up a short .txt-file, which I was able to load into the program, but encountered later on problems with the set up of the word2vector mode. So is started a completely new trial.

Aiming to test the word embedding possibilities of gensim I changed plans and started with the import of a short text about the moon, that I found on the internet – a short text, not at all complex in order to gain overview and having the possibility to assess the results.

Here is a screenshot out of my jupyter notebook, showing parts of the text, I entered in order to train and test the program:



I run 100 iterations, in order to train the model. Based on the then established word to vector model I tested different word-similarities. In a first attempt I asked for similarities regarding the word or term "moon", and received the following matrix of similar terms:

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model.train(documents, total_examples=len(documents), epochs=10)
train(...)

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    word = "moon"
    model.wv.most_similar (positive = word)

C:\Users\elli\Anaconda3\lib\site-packages\gensim\matutils.py:737: FutureWarning: Conversion of the second argument of issubdtype from 'int to 'np.signedinteger' is deprecated. In future, it will be treated as 'np.int32 == np.dtype(int ).type'.
    if pp.issubdtype(vec.dtype, np.int):

Out[12]: [('the', 0.847488284111023),
    ('appreach', 0.7347332239151001),
    ('thumans', 0.7176517248153687),
    ('to', 0.7012702226638794),
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    ('sending', 0.689815264190674),
    ('using', 0.67881264190674),
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    ('surface', 0.6768609285354614)]
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In order to have a comparison and for better understanding what gensim does or sets into a relation here I tested another word and selected the term "element" to do so, leading to the following results:

As both results show, I have stop words within the matrix of similar word, that could have been avoided by further pre-processing steps, which I left aside in the run up of the modelling. These stop words are not interpretable. But I received some terms with a content related sense, such as "refueable" - "element" or "third" - "element". These combinations are very likely to happen, as the accompanied score shows.

Comparable results for moon: Some stop words are included, and most often the prefix "the"-"moon" are accompanied with each other. Not surprisingly, but still, to me as a first contact experience it shows gensim brings up reasonable results.

Concluding, I would say that genism is an astonishing tool, with a lot of possibilities, that I just scratched on but did not at al were digging deeper into. Regarding the results I would have reached more detailed similarities if I would have had done further pre-processing, such as lowercasing, stemming or the removal of small words or stop words. And I assume, that the statistical values would have reached another level if the model would have been trained and tested based on a larger text, which is from a mathematical perspective quite logical.