

# CSCE 771: Computer Processing of Natural Language

## Lecture 19: Topic Analysis

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# Organization of Lecture 19

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- Opening Segment
  - Announcements

- Main Lecture



## Main Section

- Topic Analysis
- LSA
- LDA
- Topic Classification

- Concluding Segment
  - About Next Lecture – Lecture 20

# Recent Classes

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Oct 11 (Tu)	Guest Lecture – Dr. Amitava Das: Using lang models to solve NLP tasks
Oct 13 (Th)	
Oct 18 (Tu)	Entity extraction, linking
Oct 20 (Th)	Events extraction, spatio-temporal analysis
Oct 25 (Tu)	Topic Analysis
Oct 27 (Th)	PROJ REVIEW
Nov 1 (Tu)	NLP Task: Sentiment
Nov 3 (Th)	NLP Task: Summarization

## Review of Lecture 18

- What is an event?
- Extraction and linking
- Spatio-temporal reasoning
- Applications

# Announcements

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- Quiz 2 evaluated
- All did well
  - Most marks lost by late submission

# Project Assessment Discussion

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# Course Project – Deadlines and Penalty Rubric

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- Project plan **not** ready by Sep 15, 2020 [-20%]
  - \* Project Title
  - \* Description: motivation and expected output
  - \* Illustrative Test cases: i.e., Example input / output
  - \* Data sources:
  - \* Technique and tools to use:
  - \* Metric for measuring output
  - \* How will you collect results
  - \* Format of report, presentation
  - \* Time schedule:
- Project report **not** ready by Nov 10, 2022 [-20%]
- Project presentations **not** ready by Nov 15, 2022 [-10%]
- W1 - Sep 26
- W2 – Oct 3
  - Review presentation for class: 3 min each – Oct 4, 2022
- W3 – Oct 10
- W4 – Oct 17
- W5 – Oct 24
  - Review presentation for class: 3 min each – Oct 27, 2022
- W6 – Oct 31
- W7 – Nov 7
- W8 – Nov 14
- W9 – Nov 21

From Class 5

# Project Rubric

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- **Project results – 60%**
  - Working system ? – 30%
  - Evaluation with results superior to baseline? – 20%
  - Considered related work? – 10%
- **Project efforts – 40%**
  - Project report – 20%
  - Project presentation (updates, final) – 20%
- **Bonus**
  - Challenge level of problem – 10%
  - Instructor discretion – 10%
- **Penalty**
  - Lack of timeliness as per announced policy (right) - up to 60%

## Milestones

- Penalty: **not** ready by Sep 15, 2022 **[-20%]**
- Project report **not** ready by Nov 10, 2022 **[-20%]**
- Project presentations **not** ready by Nov 15, 2022 **[-10%]**

# Main Lecture

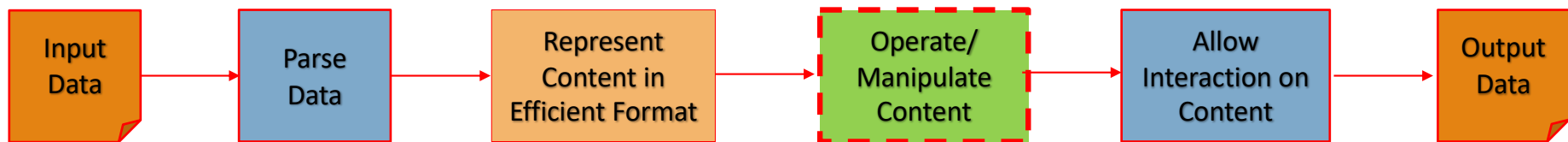
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# Topic Detection and Analysis

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Statistical patterns identified from textual data



# Motivation for Topic Analysis

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- Quickly find patterns in textual data (documents)
- Other examples
  - Word tag cloud – frequency based
  - **Topics** – statistical property
  - Summary – content based
- Usage
  - Manage documents
  - Classify text into groups

# What is a Topic?

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- Words: building block on language writing; separated by white-spaces
  - Other building blocks: sentences, paragraphs
- Documents: logical / physical organization of content
- Topics are:
  - Set of words/ phrases that are indicative of document/ corpus content

## Two Categories of Techniques

- Topic Learning – *unsupervised*
  - Topic as implicit concept
- Topic Classification – *supervised*
  - Topic as label

# Topic Learning

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- Words: building block on language writing; separated by white-spaces
  - Other building blocks: sentences, paragraphs
- Documents: logical / physical organization of content
- Topics:
  - **Implicit concept - Latent**
  - Set of words/ phrases that are indicative of document/ corpus content

## Many techniques:

- Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)
- Latent Semantic Indexing (LSI) (Deerwester et al., 1988), Latent Semantic Analysis (LSA) (Deerwester et al., 1990)
- Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA) (Blei et al., 2003)
- Non-negative Matrix Factorization (NMF) (Lee and Seung, 1999)

# Singular-Value Decomposition

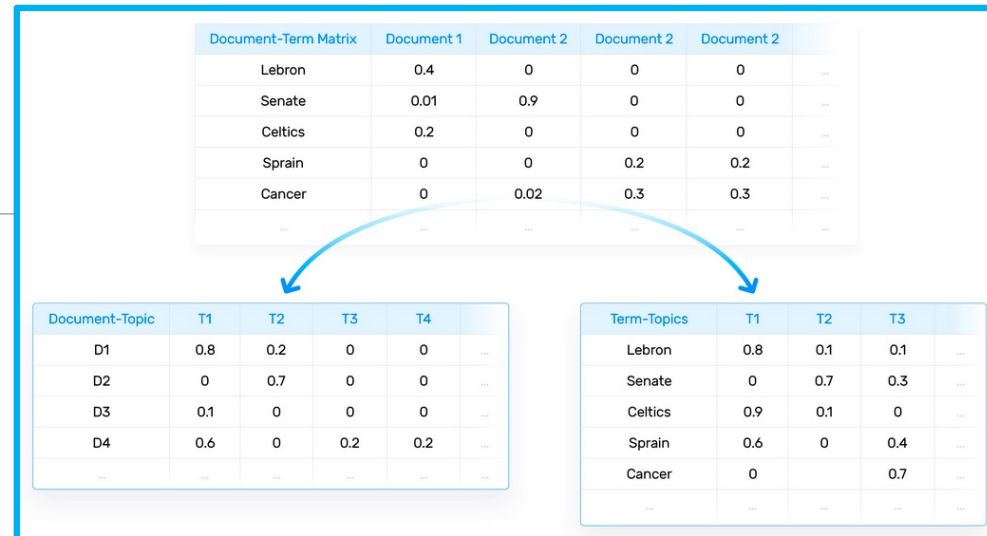
(Compact) SVD Idea:

$$A(m \times n) = U(m \times r) \times S(r \times r) \times V(r \times n)$$

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Matrix  $S$  is a diagonal matrix of the singular values of the original matrix.

Document – Term Matrix



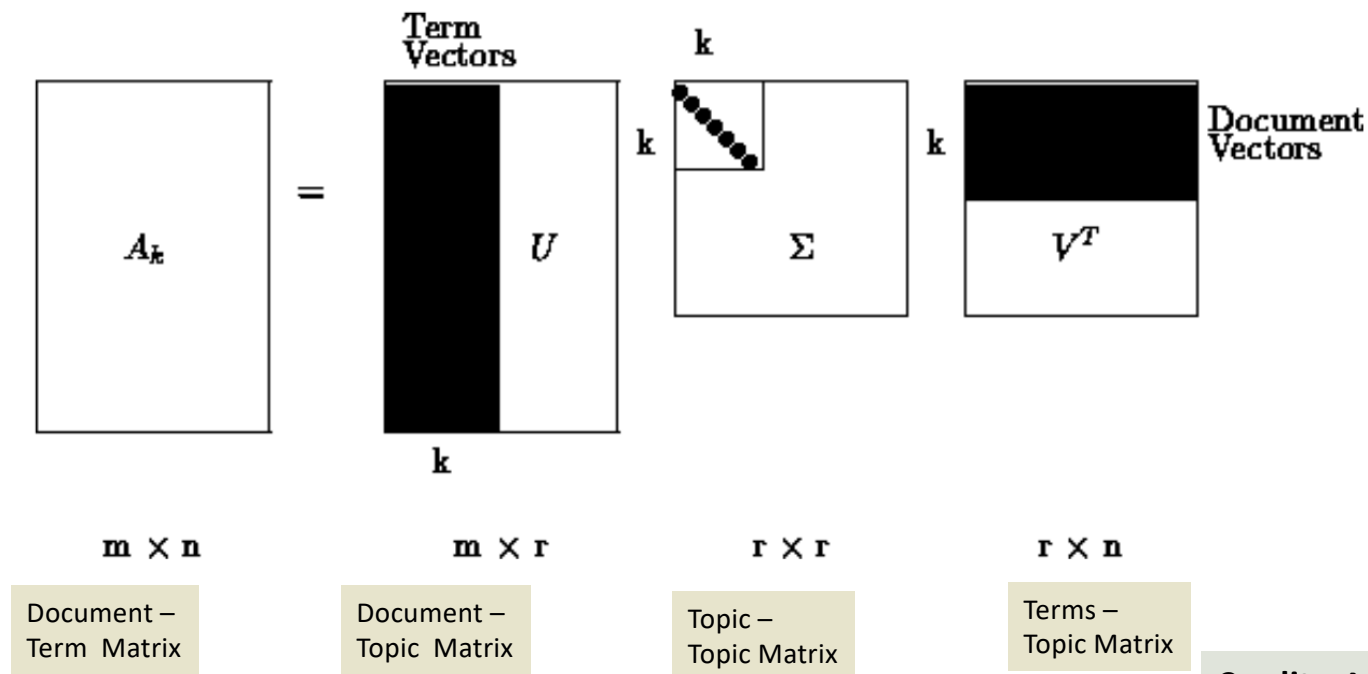
Document – Topic Matrix

Term – Topic Matrix

**Informally:** consider documents in a corpus as a distribution over topics – a latent set words – which is distributed over terms in the documents

Credits: <https://monkeylearn.com/topic-analysis/>,  
Mausam lecture slides

# LSA - Latent Semantic Analysis



Elements of  $\Sigma$  (i.e.,  $\Sigma$ ) are the topics

Credits: Mausam lecture slides

# LDA - Latent Dirichlet Allocation

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- Each topic is represented by an (unknown) set of words.
- Assumption: Every document is composed of a mixture of topics, and every word has a probability of belonging to a certain topic.
- Cover all the (known) documents in the corpus to the (unknown) topics in a way such that the words in each document are mostly captured by those topics.
- **Objective:** “a generative probabilistic model of a corpus that not only assigns high probability to members of the corpus, but also assigns high probability to other “similar” documents.”
- Video lecture by Prof. Blei: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FkckgwMHP2s>

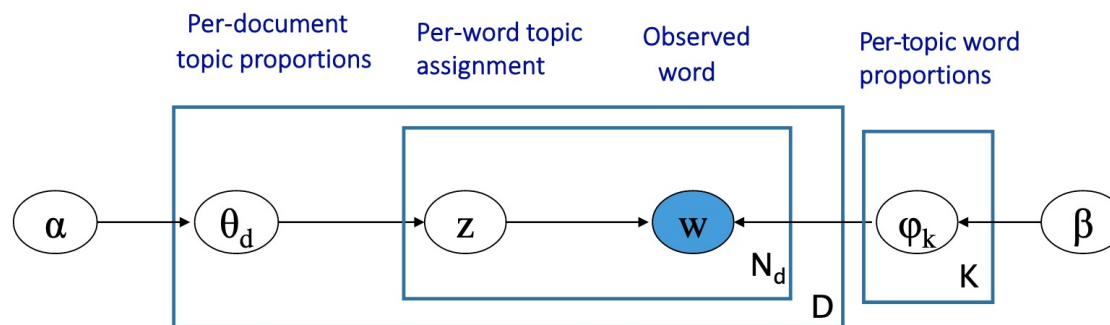
LDA paper: <https://www.jmlr.org/papers/volume3/blei03a/blei03a.pdf>

Blog: <https://monkeylearn.com/topic-analysis/>,

# LDA - Latent Dirichlet Allocation

## • Generative Model

1. Choose  $\theta_i \sim \text{Dir}(\alpha)$ , where  $i \in \{1, \dots, M\}$  and  $\text{Dir}(\alpha)$  is a [Dirichlet distribution](#)
2. Choose  $\varphi_k \sim \text{Dir}(\beta)$ , where  $k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$  and  $\beta$  typically is sparse
3. For each of the word positions  $i, j$ , where  $j \in \{1, \dots, N_i\}$ , and  $i \in \{1, \dots, M\}$ 
  - (a) Choose a topic  $z_{i,j} \sim \text{Multinomial}(\theta_i)$ .
  - (b) Choose a word  $w_{i,j} \sim \text{Multinomial}(\varphi_{z_{i,j}})$ .



Credit: Mausam slides;  
LDA paper:

<https://www.jmlr.org/papers/volume3/blei03a/blei03a.pdf>

*From LDA paper - The boxes are “plates” representing replicates. The outer plate represents documents, while the inner plate represents the repeated choice of topics and words within a document.*



# Code Example

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<https://github.com/biplav-s/course-nl/blob/master/l17-topicanalysis/ExploreTopics.ipynb>

## Libraries:

- Gensim: <https://radimrehurek.com/gensim/models/ldamodel.html>,  
[https://radimrehurek.com/gensim/auto\\_examples/core/run\\_topics\\_and\\_transformations.html](https://radimrehurek.com/gensim/auto_examples/core/run_topics_and_transformations.html)
- Scikit-learn: <https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.decomposition.LatentDirichletAllocation.html>

# Code Exercises

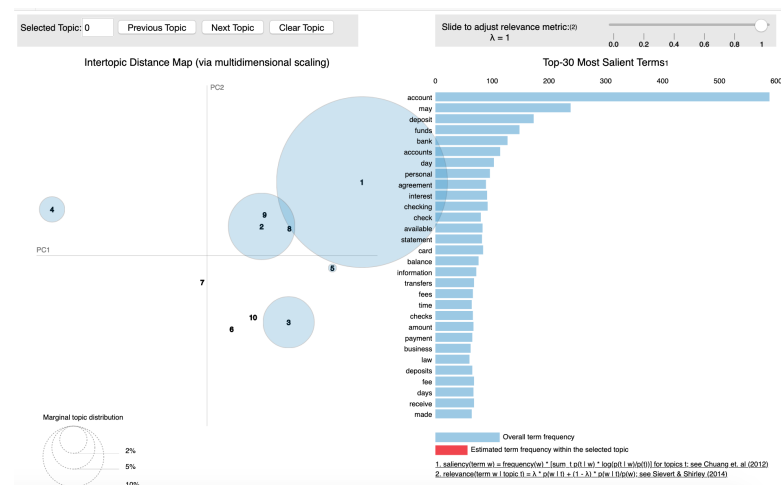
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- Working code: <https://github.com/biplav-s/course-nl-f22/blob/main/sample-code/l19-topic/ExploreTopics.ipynb>
- Exercise #1
  - Data: Copy file-1 (Example-TDBank-PersonalAcctAgree) data into local directory.
  - Activity: Run notebook on it. Compare output of url fetch v/s local file
- Exercise #2
  - Data: Take your favorite piece of text. Example resume
  - Activity: Run notebook on it. Explore output of LDA visualizer

# Visualization of Topics

- LDA: PyLDAVis - <https://github.com/bmabey/pyLDAvis>

- Other measures (SVD)
  - Arrange documents by similarity of topics using bokeh – <https://nlpforhackers.io/topic-modeling/>



# Topic Classification

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- Supervised task of assigning labels to a document
  - Assumption: topics for the population corpus are known
- For documents in corpus:
  - From the set of topics assigned to document, pick the topic with the highest probability
- For new documents:
  - Train a supervised classifier on known documents using topic labels from corpus
  - Assign topic to new documents from the learned classifier

Also see: <https://www.kdnuggets.com/2019/11/topics-extraction-classification-online-chats.html>

# Review Paper

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Shervin Minaee, Nal Kalchbrenner, Erik Cambria, Narjes Nikzad, Meysam Chenaghlu, and Jianfeng Gao. 2021. [Deep Learning--based Text Classification: A Comprehensive Review](https://doi.org/10.1145/3439726). ACM Comput. Surv. 54, 3, Article 62 (April 2022), 40 pages. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3439726>

# Topic – Practical Considerations

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- Can we assume topics are distributed across corpus ?
- How to be robust
  - Common words
  - Noisy text
- Drift of topics over time

# Comments: Topic and Language Models

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- Topic Modeling in Embedding Spaces, Adji B. Dieng, Francisco J. R. Ruiz, David M. Blei, TACL 2020
  - Embedded Topic Model (ETM) – “the etm models each word with a categorical distribution whose natural parameter is the inner product between the word’s embedding and an embedding of its assigned topic”
  - Handles rare words and stop words

<https://paperswithcode.com/paper/topic-modeling-in-embedding-spaces>

# Lecture 19: Concluding Comments

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- We reviewed topic analysis
- Statistical property indicating key insights about a document
- Topic modeling/ detection
  - Identify topics
- Topic classification



# Concluding Segment

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# About Next Lecture – Lecture 20

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# Lecture 20 Outline: Project Review

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- Let
  - L1: Review #1 slides repo
  - L2: Review #2 slides repo
- Refer to your slide at L1
- Enhance it with information about
  - Current status
  - Result of actual system on test example
  - Any critical issue
- Put new slide at L2
- In class, give update within 2-3 mins.